GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:275
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BAMBOO DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of bamboo in the country during the last three years ;

(b) the percentage of the area of the country where bamboo is produced ;

(c) whether the Government has set up Bamboo Development Mission (BDM) ;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial allocation and the achievements made thereunder, State-wise;

(e) whether a reduction is proposed in the funds earmarked for the said scheme;

(f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;.

(g) the total amount spent so far during the last three years of the Tenth Plan ;

(h) whether a review of the BDM has been made; and

(i) if so, the outcome thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a)to(i) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO
(i) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.275 FOR 12-12-2005 REGARDING BAMBOO DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

(a) The actual assessment of production of bamboos in the country has not been made by the Ministry of Environment and Forests. However, the approximate production figures for bamboos in the country from 1998-99 to 2001-02 are given in the table below:

S. No.	Year	Production (tonnes)
1	1998-99	982347
2	1999-00	691575
3	2000-01	1166428
4	2001-02	1010484

(b) As per Report of Planning Commission, Government of India titled `National Mission on Bamboo Technology and Trade Development`, bamboos occur on 89,575 Sq. Km of forest area, which constitutes approximately 2.72% of the geographical area of the country.

(c) Government of India in the Ministry of Agriculture has proposed to set up a National Bamboo Mission.

(d)to(i) The setting up of National Bamboo Mission is in advanced stage of approval by the Government.